

Chatham Township Environmental Commission
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Minutes of the Tuesday April 3, 2007 CTEC Meeting

The meeting of the Chatham Township Environmental Commission convened at 8:15 pm on Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at the Township Municipal Building. In attendance were CTEC members K. Abbott, M. Bammel, L. Caprioglio, S. Carrol, S. Hoag, O. Raadam, D. Stillinger, P. Payton, Township Committee liaison W. O'Connor. Also attending were township residents Jennifer Mathews and Pat Collington.

CTEC'S PURPOSE (NJ40:56A, 1968): to undertake projects and make recommendations concerning the protection or use of natural resources, including water resources, located within or directly affecting Chatham Township.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT -- The meeting schedule for 2006 was published in the Chatham Courier & Daily Record newspapers and posted on the main bulletin board at the Township municipal building. The public is cordially invited to attend all meetings and participate in projects.

Minutes

Ms. Hoag moved to accept the minutes from March 6, 2007 and Mr. Carrol seconded with all in favor.

Events

April 7 & April 14 – Electronics Recycling Public Works
April 11 – NJDEP's New Jersey Clean Air Council annual public hearing
April 14 – NJEF's 21st Annual Conference, Rutgers Univ. of Law
April 14 – the Witness and Outreach Committee of the Presbyterian Church of Chatham Twp., Step It Up 2007 National Day of Climate Action
April 17 – The Brooklyn College Alumni Association, George Aronson, Photographer will give a lecture and slide show.
April 21 – Fifth annual riverside cleanup.
April 23 – Ground for Hope II, workshop by Green Faith and Drew Univ. Theological Ctr.
April 28 – NJ Conservation Foundation annual rally, Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick

Notes

Most current web address for Chatham Township GIS
[http://idv.civilsolutions.biz/login.aspx?username=Chatham&password-C\\$n8!4&siteservice=ChathamTwp](http://idv.civilsolutions.biz/login.aspx?username=Chatham&password-C$n8!4&siteservice=ChathamTwp)
Username Chatham, password C\$n8!t4
Morris County GIS tax data website at <http://www.gti.net/mocolib1/realty.html>.

Applications/LOI Review

Oak Knoll School – Bl 144 Lots 33, 34, 34.01, 35, 36 approved by Planning Board. No environmental issues. Closed

Dudley – Bl 12 Lot 11 130 Meyersville Rd, approval of S. Hoag letter w/amendments to DEP. 1st approval P. Payton 2nd by S. Carrol with all in favor. Open

Keane – Bl. 109 Lot 29 and 23, Bl. 109 Lot 28 Garden St. No environmental issues. Closed

VeZZozi – Bl. 12 Lot 10.03 148 Meyersville Rd, application for LOI. Approval of letter to NJDEP. 1st approval D. Stillinger 2nd by P. Payton with all in favor. Closed.

Molino – Bl. 20 Lot 20 – Susan Dr. Board of Adjustment application. Plans are being revised. Open.

Chatham Township – Bl. 128 Lot 18 Shunpike field, after much discussion, the commission members approved letter to DEP with amendments. (1st approval S. Hoag 2nd by S. Carrol). Although, before letter is to be sent they will revisit site for skunk cabbage sightings and amend letter as needed.

Reports

Planning Board – L. Caprioglio – Discussed parking issues with Subway Sub Shop. Township does not want any more restaurants in that mall. Unable to discuss Master Plan, Banish representatives not present. Roosevelt lighting too bright, owner will try to change lighting.

Open Space – S. Hoag – Commission working with county on marking Fairmount, Southern, and Green Village Streets for bike path.

Township Committee – W. O'Connor - Resolution supporting Garden State Preservation Trust approved, discussion started for Tree Ordinance. County to repave Shunpike.

Storm Trap underground stormwater detention system. Waiting for comments from Twp. Engineer. Open

ANJEC EC Training – attended class and will update at next meeting. S. Carrol Florham Park Council members meeting on 3/9/07 climate change discussion. Attended by S. Carrol and D. Stillinger. Meeting went well.

Action Items

Anti-idling ordinance (Kathy to discuss at May/June meeting.) would like to pass some type of ordinance. State not enforcing 3 minute idling.

Additionally, Kathy Abbott, Mike Bammel and Pat Collington will write a news release to local papers referencing car idling information and laws. Commission will support idling campaign.

Energy inventory/audit. Subcommittee met on 3/21/07 organized/reviewed township energy bills. K. Abbott, S. Carrol, J. Mathews.

Conservation easement ordinance language changes. S. Hoag to present at May Twp. Committee Meeting.

CTEC – continuing to prioritize a list of projects in support of the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement.

Status of letter urging Planning Board to have applicants submit site plans in digital format. William O'Connor will talk with Kevin Tubbs about letter.

Conservation easement on-the-ground data collection project. First five sites visits will be 5/5/07.

Mail RECEIVED (not including applications and event notices mentioned above)

CD and brochure received from ANJEC concerning acquiring and protecting conservation easements.

Minutes of Long Hill EC.

Minutes of Chatham Borough EC.

Various newsletters, event announcements, and flyers.

CTEC meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Scannelli